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Hello all and thanks for coming to Albuquerque and sponsoring a very productive discussion of the public health issues, of concern to us, that are related to LASL and NMED operations. We are also grateful to Janet Greenwald for requesting this meeting and to Lesley Weinstock and others who worked with Janet to promote the meeting.

There are about a dozen volunteer organizations in central New Mexico that are concerned, and in some cases, doing studies of some of these issues and we share a need for open dialog with both the Lab and NMED. The emotions that surfaced during this productive meeting are an indicator of the need for such information exchanges and we want to encourage more meetings like this. We also appreciated having representatives from a number of the key NMED organizations, the national Energy Department and other groups participating.

Both the meeting, per se, and the post-meeting discussions were very helpful to us. Of special interest to me was the post-meeting discussion of the rationale for the limited microbiological criteria contained in the 20.6.4 draft and that discussion will help us in further studies related to this issue and possible future discussions with NMED and others.

Also, we appreciated the brief discussion of the possible new legislative proposals that are related to health and safety. and some of us will be gathering more details and trying to help, when we can, to protect the important health and safety activities..

We are trying to consolidate our notes on the meeting and would appreciate a copy of the listing that will be made from the large sheets that were used for notes and a copy of the attendees list, if possible, and a list of the many government folks that participated. This will help us in our discussions of the meeting and in our preparation for future discussions with NMED.

Finally, we see great value in the role that the Community Foundation can play in improving the information flow between community groups of volunteer experts and the agencies concerned with public health and safety and we want to continue to work with them and with NMED and to help with the planning for future meetings. We may be able to help with locating meeting sites, providing snacks, preparing agendas, etc. As you know, many of the key agencies, in the Albuquerque area, are sponsoring periodical public information meetings (Sandia, Kirtland AFB, DOE, etc.) and it is improving our relationships.

Cheers

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